



AGENDA MAYORS MEETING OF THE CHARTER OF EUROPEAN RURAL COMMUNITIES IN STRZYZOW

Friday June 11th 2010 from 4.30 PM – 7.00 PM
Sunday June 13th 2010 from 4.00 PM – 6.30 PM

Invited are: all mayors or deputy mayors and translators

1. Welcome

2. Minutes of the mayors meetings on June 13th and 14th 2009 in Stary Poddvorov

[See attachment 1](#)

TO DECIDE:

Approval of the minutes of the mayors meeting from June 13th and 14th 2009

3. Member from Bulgaria

In July 2009 Frans and Helma visited the municipality of Maglitz and seven of its villages. In February a delegation of Maglitz participated in the conference on local democracy in Bucine. They were very enthusiastic. The delegation of Maglitz will present its community. Proposal of the presidium to the mayors meeting is to appoint Maglitz as the Bulgarian member of the Charter.

TO DECIDE:

Appoint Maglitz as the Bulgarian member of the Charter.

4. Involvement of Charter members

In spite of the statement of the presidium, which was send to every member in December 2009, there are still members who do not respect the agreed rules concerning the number of participants, the kind of participants and the agreed age. The presidium will talk about this during its meeting on June 10th and will present a proposal to the mayors meeting.

[See attachment 2 \(statement\)](#)

TO DECIDE:

About the proposal of the presidium concerning the involvement of the members and the respect for the agreed rules.



5. (Too) Many Charter activities

The Charter organises the meetings within the multi annual project. Moreover Charter members organise other bi- and multilateral meetings. The presidium will prepare a proposal regarding the number and kind of meetings.

TO DECIDE:

About the proposal of the presidium regarding the number and kind of Charter meetings.

6. The last part and rounding of the Multi Annual Project

There are still 3 meetings to go of the multi annual project 2009 / 2010:

- Conference on participation in local democracy. September 10th – 12th 2010 in Moravce. Invited are: Nagycenk, Lassee, Stary Poddvorov, Medzev, Desborough, Nadur (5 persons from each of these members), vice president and executive treasurer.
- Workshop of the youngsters. October 29th – 31st in Kandava. Invited are: Lassee, Naestved, Esch, Bucine, Lefkara, Troisvierges, Nagycenk (2 youngsters from each of these members), president and executive secretary.
- Conference on elderly people. November 12th – 14th in Lassee. Invited are 2 persons from each Carter member. Karl and Sandra will give information about this conference in the mayors meeting, particularly regarding the kinds of participants.

a. Evaluation of the multi annual project till so far.

The presidium will prepare the items for the evaluation of the multi annual project for the mayors meeting.

b. Accountability

During the summer Frans and Helma will make a start with the accountability fro Brussels. That includes a financial overview, the signed participation lists of all meetings and a report of the content. The president asks all members to give full cooperation if needed.

TO DECIDE:

1. Evaluation of the multi annual project, on the basis of the items, proposed by the presidium.
2. Affirmation of cooperation regarding the accountability of the multi annual project to Brussels.



7. Progress of the applications “networks of twinned towns”

The municipality of Haaren applied for the Charter for the “networks of twinned towns” program in Brussels. It concerned two applications: one for the Charter and one for the youngsters of the Charter. By the time of the meeting in Strzyzow it will be clear if Brussels approved the applications. The presidium will look at the different possibilities and make a proposal for the mayors. Helma will show a presentation about the new program and the consequences for the Charter.

TO DECIDE:

About the proposal of the presidium regarding the next steps for the “networks of twinned towns” program 2011 / 2012.

8. Finance of the Charter

Sandra Hengl will provide the mayors with an overview of the current situation regarding the finances of the Charter.

TO DECIDE:

Approval of the financial overview

9. Guideline “Friends of Europe” organisations

During the workshop “Friends of Europe” in Hepstedt from November 13th – 15th the participants made guidelines for the establishment of such an organisation. The presidium will talk about this document in its meeting and will tell their findings to the mayors. The mayors should also study this document to see if there are suggestions or additions. Next, the document (if need to be with changes) needs the approval of the mayors meeting.

[see attachment 3](#)

TO DECIDE:

Approval of the Friends of Europe guide.

10. Charter youngsters

The Charter youngsters are invited to give a report of their activities in the mayors meeting on Sunday June 13th.

11. Website www.europeancharter.eu



Members of the website team, present in Strzyzow, are invited to the mayors meeting on Sunday to tell something about the developments.

12. Contacts in Brussels

a. **European Movement International.**

- After some appointments in Brussels, the president and Helma made a proposal for a joint project with European Movement International [see attachment 4](#)

The project should take place at the beginning of 2011. Until now we did not hear whether the daily board of EMI approved the proposal.

- The Charter is invited to introduce itself to the new secretary-general of EMI, mr Diogo Pinto. On August 30th the president, vice-president, Sandra and Helma will meet mr. Pinto in Brussels.
- Mr Diogo Pinto or Mr Charles Kleinermann (second secretary general) from EMI will participate in the Charter meeting in Moravce in September 2010. (Moravce agreed).

b. **Claudia Mondino / Europe for Citizens program.**

Claudia Mondino from the Europe for Citizens Program (our grant giver) has participated in the Charter meeting in Bucine in February 2010.

c. **Golden Star Award.**

Each year chosen projects from the Europe for Citizens Program get a Golden Star Award for their project. The president and Helma really tried hard to find the right person who can nominate our Charter. Until now we did not really succeed.

Perhaps one of the people present at this mayors meeting has a valuable contact in Brussels?

13. Presentation of Cashel

Since Cashel is the member to organise the big meeting in 2010, they will present themselves in this mayors meeting.

14. Other matters to discuss

Helma, May 28th 2010